

## SPAIN DID NOT WANT TO FIGHT

An Artful Appeal to Europe.

ISSUE FORCED ON HER.

The Maine Incident Lightly Passed Over.

### MORO CASTLE SEARCHLIGHT

Casts Bright Beams in the Direction of the Blockading Squadron—The Spanish Fleet Notified by Portugal to Leave the Cape Verde Islands Under the Laws Governing Neutrals in Time of War—A Spanish Fire-Eater Sends a Challenge to Captain Sigsbee and General Lee—The Rendezvous for State Volunteers Designated.

**CORRESPONDENTS SILENCED.**

HAVANA, April 24.—(Delayed in transmission), via Key West, Fla., April 25.—As the government of the United States will not allow Madrid and New York to come to Havana for the press, the Spanish censor here will not allow correspondents to telegraph to the New York press.

The above message is from the correspondent of the Associated Press at Havana and is the first news received direct by cable from Havana since the dispatcher of the Associated Press of Saturday announcing the arrival of the United States squadron off Havana and the establishment of the Cuban blockade.

#### THE SPANISH FLEET.

LONDON, April 25.—The Times this morning publishes Spain's memorandum to the powers, dated April 18th, and signed by Senor Gallon, the Spanish Minister of Foreign Affairs. The memorandum begins by recording the "moral and material aid the Cuban rebels have received from the United States" in filibustering expeditions and the operations of the Junta. It mentions Spain's repeated and persistent denial to the allegations of cruelty towards the Cubans and lays great stress upon President Cleveland's dispatch of December 17, 1896, to the effect that peace would be possible if Spain gave a sufficient autonomy to Cuba.

The memorandum contends that in the face of new liberal legislation granted to Cuba, which "has already borne fruit," it is difficult to understand why President McKinley in his message of December 6, 1897, and General Woodford, in the note of December 18, 1897, should still doubt Spain's loyalty.

The document then speaks at some length of the Maine incident, and asserts that the Americans under the pretext of the extra territoriality of the vessel, never allowed Spanish authorities to visit the wreck for the purposes of investigation, and it most solemnly asserts the absolute innocence of Spain's officials and of Spanish subjects generally.

The fairness and loyalty of Spain are then shown by a reference to the equitable treatment which American filibusters, more especially those of the Committee, have received at the hands of Spain, and in order to show more fully how pacific and correct has been the attitude of the Spanish government, the memorandum enumerates the four clauses of the Spanish proposal. These are:

#### SPANISH PROPOSALS.

First, an offer to submit all questions arising from the Maine affair to arbitration.

Second, an order to Governor Blanco to retire into the western provinces and to apply three million pesos for the relief of the agricultural population, with an acceptance by the Spanish government of relief for Cuban sufferers by the United States, provided such relief were sent in merchant vessels.

Third, the co-operation of the Cuban parliament in formulating the extent of the powers to be reserved for the central government.

Fourth, in view of the Cuban parliament not meeting before May 4th, the proclamation of an immediate armistice.

The memorandum proceeds to declare that the United States has not accepted these far-reaching concessions and that the good offices of the Pope have been equally unavailable.

The memorandum ends by saying "Being convinced, as Spain is, that right and equity are on her side, she will not and cannot surrender her sovereignty in Cuba."

#### A SPANISH FIRE-EATER.

TORONTO, April 25.—Lieutenant Carranza of the suite of Senor Polo y Barnaba was seen today relative to the report that he had challenged Captain Sigsbee of the Maine to fight a duel. The Lieutenant corroborated the story. He said he had sent his challenge and that if he does not receive an answer from Captain Sigsbee by the 28th he will brand him as a coward. Should Captain Sigsbee refuse the Lieutenant will then challenge Consul General Lee.

PHILADELPHIA, April 25.—Captain Sigsbee when seen tonight in reference to the challenge, said to have been sent by the Lieutenant, said: "I do not believe any such challenge has been issued. I can't say what disposition I shall make of the challenge if it comes."

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The Republican members of the ways and means

committee had another conference this afternoon, as a result of which Chairman Dingley at a late hour re-introduced his war revenue bill with a number of important amendments framed to meet objections. The amended bill is likely to be laid before the full committee tomorrow.

#### MORO'S SEARCHLIGHT.

When darkness came on last night Moro Castle showed a powerful searchlight and flashed it nervously around the horizon. Another searchlight was seen. It looked to be from the direction of the Santa Clara batteries to the westward of El Moro. The searchlight itself could not be distinguished, only its rays being visible. This is due either to the extreme low position of the light or its distance from the blockade line. The more light is placed higher and is an excellent light. Last night was the first time the searchlights have been used. What benefit they will be to the Spaniards no one knows. They may probably force the batteries to expend some more ammunition in futile shots at the squadron, but the blockade continues as before, searchlights or no searchlights, as, of course, they do not reach far enough to show one ship. If any ships run the blockade they will have to run a gauntlet of vigilance that has never been surpassed. Alertness of the officers and men continues at the same pitch as was exhibited the first night the squadron arrived. Admiral Sampson is more handicapped in his blockade than were naval commanders during the civil war.

As many ships as they were able to anchor, while Admiral Sampson's fleet is obliged to drift around in a two knot current, with no stationary shore light for a guide. It is believed that every steamer which has attempted to enter Havana since the blockade has been captured.

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It looks as though Companies C and F may be called out today and started to the front. Last night Governor Budd received the call for California's preparation of soldiers to fill the President's call for 125,000, and immediately upon receipt of the dispatch from Washington Adjutant General Barrett sent a dispatch to Colonel Hay of this city to ascertain the condition of the Third brigade.

The regiment thus being formed is understood to be one of which Captain Leonard Wood, U. S. A., is to be the colonel and Theodore Roosevelt lieutenant colonel.

Governor McCord made a strong effort today to prevail upon the secretary of war to accept another company of cavalry from Arizona, but was unsuccessful.

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#### COAST PATROL.

Three Revenue Cutters Pressed Into Service.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 25.—Within another twenty-four hours three government boats will have been assigned to patrol service in and about the local harbor. Today the cutters Rush Corwin and Grant lowered their revenue flag and hoisted the navy ensign instead. They have been formally turned over to the navy department and will immediately be transformed into gunboats for coast patrol service.

A naval board of which Captain Kempff is senior member came down from Mare Island today and inspected the three vessels. It was stated by one of the members of the board that the vessels can be made ready for sea duty in less than twelve hours. In fact, the officers strongly intimated that at least two of the vessels, probably the Corwin and Grant, would go to sea tomorrow.

The United States steamer Albatross was sent to the Union Iron Works today to receive an overhauling preparatory to entering into active naval service.

The new government tug Unsilla at Mare island made her first appearance in her new war paint.

#### A POPULAR ENTERTAINMENT.

From the Nautra Tribune

The entertainment given at the Christian church last Friday evening by the Misses Sava and Doolittle of Fresno was quite well attended and proved highly entertaining. The recitations and dialogues were selected with a view to pleasing an audience and in this was most successful. The young ladies have evidently made a careful study of elocution and possessing much natural ability, the most difficult recitations and character sketches were given a faithful portrayal that one rarely witnesses.

There are many elocutionists whose efforts prove so disappointing that an entertainment like that given by Misses Sava and Doolittle is a real treat.

This sentiment found expression last Friday night in the liberal applause bestowed upon the young ladies. The recitation and dialogues were interspersed with music by local talent.

#### Superior Court Notes.

The following business was transacted in the superior court yesterday:

#### BERNERS JUDGE RILEY, DEPARTMENT 1.

People vs. Frank Oakes; time for presenting sentence continued at request of defendant to tomorrow at 9 a. m.

The Cuthbert-Burrell Co. vs. Charles Hudson et al.; submitted on briefs of five and two days.

Annie E. Gilmore vs. B. Williams; demurser and motion to strike out submitted.

Joseph Brandenstein vs. Fresno Land Co. et al.; judgment ordered for plaintiff.

#### Tom Dolan Arrested.

Constable John Albin received word yesterday that Tom Dolan had been arrested in Jamestown for perjury in the case before Recorder Ober in this city last week. Dolan gave bail and is awaiting the arrival of an officer from Fresno. Constable Albin will leave for Jamestown this morning and bring the man back for trial.

#### Eastern Tourists.

President John Reichman of the Chamber of Commerce, received word yesterday that six Yosemite tourists will be in Fresno today and five tomorrow. This morning Vice-President J. C. Nease of the chamber will take the tourists for a drive through the colonies.

#### Geo. H. Monroe, Druggist.

Geo. H. Monroe, Druggist, 1926-28 Mariposa Street, Between J. and K. Sts., Fresno, Cal. Telephone No. 74.

## READY TO MOVE

Fresno Guards May Leave To-day.

A Busy Scene Last Night in Headquarters.

The Inspection of the Companies—Women Who Want to Be Nurses.

KUTNER-GOLDSTEIN CO.—THE BIG STORE.

## SECOND WEEK

OF OUR

## Great Unloading Sale.

The second week of this great sale will open up with a great slashing and cutting of prices in all departments. We will offer even greater inducements to the purchasing public than last week.

A VISIT TO OUR BARGAIN DEPARTMENT WILL MEAN MONEY-SAVING TO YOU.

Good Pins,	English Needles	Good Spool Cotton full 200 yards,	Best Muslin,
1c Paper.	2½c Paper.	10c Dozen.	4c Bottle.
Best Black Ink, 3c Bottle.	White Envelopes, 2c Package.	Children's Colored 1c Each.	Ladies' Black Cotton Hose, 5c Pair.
Ladies' Ribbed white fine cotton vests, 9c Each.	Ladies' Ribbed white fine cotton vests, 4c Each.	Ladies' Ribbed cotton union suits, 15c Suit.	Buggy Whips, 5c Each.
Hair Pins, as sorted sizes, 3c Cabinet.	Safety Pins, 2c Paper.	Linen Thread black and white, 3c Spool.	Knitting Silk, all colors, 4c Spool.

## SPECIAL VALUES IN CORSETS

In Our Bargain Department.

100 Doron High Grade SUMMER VENTILATING CORSETS, advertised as special sale bargains elsewhere at 20c, 35c and 50c, our price.

These Corsets on exhibition in our bargain window.

19c  
Pair.

## SPECIAL :: SALE

ON

TUESDAY, APRIL 26th,

IN OUR

## DRESS :: GOODS :: DEPARTMENT.

2000 Yards Fine Flowered and Figured Organzies, this season's newest style, regular price 150 and 200 per yard, for this sale.

Sale commences at 9 a. m.

9c  
Yard.

## Extra :: Special :: Sale

ON

## FINE IMPORTED ORGANZIES

At 20c Per Yard.

These are the artistic product of Messrs. Kochlin Freres the finest producers of those sheer and dainty fabrics in the world. Our regular price for these Organzies have been 40c and 50c per yard. For this day only they will go at 20c per yard.

20c  
Yard.

## SPECIAL SALE

ON

Thursday, April 28th.

500 Pairs of our colored Gladys Kid Gloves, in 2 clasps, with silk-stitched backs, in black, white, tan, oxblood, green and brown shades; our regular price is \$1.25 a pair, for this day only.

95c  
Pair.

THE CHEAPEST STORE IN CALIFORNIA,

Kutner-Goldstein Co.,

THE UNIVERSAL PROVIDERS.

## DIPHTHERIA, Scarlet Fever

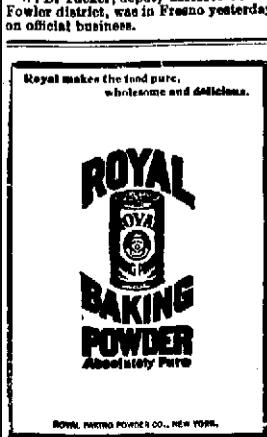
And all throat troubles prevented and cured by

## MUCO SOLVENT

Mark Webster, AGENT.

And supply all your wants in that line cheaper than any house in Fresno.

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# CONGRESS IS PROMPT TO ACT

Both Houses Support  
the President.

The War Bill Goes Through  
With a Rush.

Senators White and Pettigrew  
Alone Object—The House  
Makes a Record.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—After a debate of one hour and a half the senate today passed a bill declaring that a state of war existed between the United States and Spain.

The bill was in the same language as that passed by the house.

The debate in the senate was based on an amendment offered by Senator Turp, providing for the recognition of the belligerent rights of the insurgent Cubans, the amendment being practically in the following language:

"We hereby recognize the rights of the Cuban army under General Gomez to be treated as belligerents, the freedom and independence of the Cuban people having heretofore been recognized by act of congress."

The same amendment had been urged in the committee on foreign relations previous to the reporting of the bill to the senate and the Indiana senator only agreed to the bringing in of the bill on condition that his amendment should be presented to the senate. Both in committee and in the senate Mr. Turp made elaborate arguments in support of his proposition.

The roll of the senate was called upon the amendment and it was defeated by a majority of 14, the vote standing 21 to 38.

PETTIGREW'S OBJECTION.

There was also some criticism of the fact that the bill fixed a date in the past when the war had begun. Senator Pettigrew declared that the 21st was evidently used in order to make legal the capture of the lumber vessel, the *Bonita Ventura*, on that date. He characterized this as a small piece of business for either the administration or congress to indulge in, and said that under the circumstances, if he had been President, he would have returned the ship to its owners. He predicted that the courts would in the end sustain the claim against us, regardless of this declaration.

Senator White took up the Pettigrew contention, holding that the President had not indicated any date for the beginning of hostilities, but that he had rather shown in his message that he considered that the negotiations had by no means reached the point of hostility. "The President speaks," said the Senator, "of our reasonable demands upon Spain. Did he," he asked, "expect Spain to take the view that demands were reasonable when he had made Spain to part with a large portion of her kingdom and to come in smiling in view of this polite request?"

Continuing Mr. White said that it was his purpose to support the administration in all reasonable measures for the prosecution of the war, but he did not regard the fixing of this date as in any sense a response to the presidential request. There was a general plea for speedy action on this bill, and no amendment was pressed for a change of date.

This motion also affected Senator Davis, who withdrew an amendment suggested by the committee on foreign relations, directing the president to prosecute the war to a successful termination. This amendment was withdrawn in order to leave the bill just as it passed the house, thus dispensing with the necessity of a conference and making it possible to send the bill to the president today.

There was no division on the passage of the bill.

NAVAL APPROPRIATION BILL.

Consideration of the naval appropriation bill was then resumed, the pending question being upon the amendment offered by Mr. Butler of North Carolina, to regulate the price of armor.

The amendment provides that for the armor of the three battleships now in course of construction, the government shall not pay to exceed \$100 a ton, including the nickel, and that subsequent contracts for armor shall not call for a greater price than \$300 per ton.

CHIEF ARMOR PLATE.

In case the price cannot be obtained, the secretary of the navy is authorized at once to purchase or establish a government armor factory, for which \$1,500,000 is appropriated, and in addition \$1,000,000 is appropriated for the manufacture of the armor.

Mr. Stewart of Nevada inquired of Mr. Hale whether the naval bill in any way committed the government to pay \$100 a ton for armor for the proposed battleships authorized by the bill.

Mr. Hale replied that nothing in the bill could be construed as committing the government to pay any particular price for armor.

Mr. Tillman made an extended speech in favor of the proposed amendment, in the course of which he had a passage at arms with Mr. Chandler, based on a report made by the latter, favoring a reduction of the price of armor.

Mr. Hale then moved to lay the amendment upon the table and it was so ordered by a vote of 38 to 13.

TAKS FOR THE WAR.

Mr. Hale offered an amendment authorizing the secretary of the navy to enlist at any time after the passage of the act as many seamen, landmen and boys as he may deem necessary to man the ships of the navy or for use of the navy as a temporary force, and appropriating \$8,500,000 for that purpose. Mr. Hale agreed to an amendment offered by Mr. Couckrall of Missouri that the time limit should be during the existence of war.

The amendment was agreed to, the amendment making the appropriation immediately available. An amendment was also agreed to, providing that hereafter all first-class battleships and monitors shall be named after the various states.

The bill as amended was passed.

ARMY FORMATION.

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mittee were agreed to without division. One of the amendments is an addition to the proviso of section three authorizing the President to accept the quotas of troops of the various states and territories. The committee's amendment requires that these quotas shall be "in companies, troops and batteries, each to contain as far as practicable the number of enlisted men authorized in this act for each arm of the service and battalions of not less than three such companies and regiments of not less than ten, nor more than twelve such companies, but this proviso shall apply to companies, batteries, battalions and regimental organizations and none other."

Provision is also made for the increase of the signal corps in time of war to the extent of ten corporals, 100 first class privates and forty second class privates, who are to have the pay and allowances of engineer troops of the same grade. An amendment gives the President the direction to employ retired officers of the army on active duty except in the command of troops. Whomsoever employed they are to receive the full pay of their grade.

The bill was placed upon its passage and passed within twenty minutes of its introduction.

THE WAR BILL PASSED.

At 1:55 p. m. the message clerk of the house of representatives informed the senate that the house had passed an act declaring that a state of war existed between the United States and Spain. The message was at once read to the senate and at 2:50 p. m. the senate went into secret session to consider the resolution declaring the existence of war.

At 3:47 p. m. the senate resumed routine business in open session.

At 4:55 p. m. the message clerk of the house announced that the Speaker had signed the bill declaring the existence of war between the United States and Spain and requested the signature of the Vice President.

Within two minutes Vice President Hobart signed the act and precisely at 5 o'clock announced his signature.

A few minutes later another message was received from the house announcing its disagreement with the senatorial amendment to the army reorganization bill and asking for a conference.

The conference was agreed to, and Messrs. Hawley, Trotter and Cockrell were named as the senate conferees.

At 5:35 p. m. the senate adjourned.

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The house today passed the senate bill declaring the existence of a state of war between the United States and the Kingdom of Spain in a manner which cannot fail to impress the world. The representatives of 70,000,000 people voted for it without a word of debate, without a dissenting vote and without a roll call, but with a unanimous appreciation of the gravity of their momentous action. It required but one minute and forty-one seconds to accomplish the subject. The house was considering an election case and simply paused to declare war.

There was no excitement in word or action. It was only in the great cheer that went up from the floor and the galleries when Speaker Reed announced its passage that the tremendous import of the act and the suppressed enthusiasm behind it was shown. After the President's message was read, the committee on foreign affairs framed the resolution. Acting Chairman Adams wrote the report and it was passed in its way to the senate in an hour and six minutes. The speaker signed it at 4:24 p. m.

The remainder of the day was devoted to the election case of Wiss vs. Young, from the Second Virginia district. Mr. Messick made the opening argument in the election case in favor of the contestants, Mr. Wiss.

Meers, Burks, Democrat of Texas, and De Armond, Democrat of Missouri, spoke on the election case.

Just prior to adjournment Speaker Reed signed the bill declaring the existence of a state of war. When the army reorganization bill, with senate amendments, came back to the house, on motion of Mr. Hill, the amendments were non-concurring in and the bill was sent to conference. Meers, Cox, Democrat of Tennessee and Marsh, Republican of Illinois were appointed conferees.

At 5:10 p. m. the house adjourned.

BECOMES A LAW.

The War Bill Signed by President McKinley.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The war bill was brought from the capitol by the clerk of the enrolling division and reached the White House a few minutes before 6 o'clock. The White House was almost deserted at the time, not one of the cabinet being with the President except Attorney-General Griggs. The enrolled copy of the bill was laid before the President in his office immediately on its arrival and he at once went over the phrasology with Attorney-General Griggs. The Presidential signature was affixed at 6:18 and the measure then became the law of the land.

Voice of the Populist Press.

From the Tulara Valley Citizen. Keep it before the public that when the only law we had authorizing silver coinage was repealed the Democrats had a clear majority of 132 in the house. It was that party that put us upon the present gold standard.—Marshall (Mo.) Record.

Yes, and keep it before the people that the very same bosses are in control of the party today that were in control at that time. Cleveland Democracy and Bryan Democracy, manipulated by exactly the same gang of politicians, offers no hope of relief for the people. Their entire stock in trade is fraud.

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## MCKINLEY'S DECLARATION

A State of War Ex-  
ists With Spain.

The Message Is Brief and  
to the Point.

The Chief Executive Takes Cog-  
nizance of Spain's Refusal to  
Consider the Ultimatum.

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The Presi-  
dent today sent to congress the following  
message recommending a declaration  
of war against Spain:

To the Senate and House of Repre-  
sentatives of the United States of America:

I transmit to congress for its considera-  
tion and appropriate action, copies of  
correspondence recently had with the  
representatives of Spain in the United  
States, with the United States minister  
at Madrid and through the latter, with  
the government of Spain, showing the  
action taken under the joint resolution  
approved April 20, 1898, for the recogni-  
tion of the independence of the people  
of Cuba, demanding that the government  
of Spain relinquish its authority  
and government in the island of Cuba  
and to withdraw its land and naval forces  
from Cuban and Cuban waters, and  
directing the President of the United  
States to use the land and naval forces  
of the United States to carry these reso-  
lutions into effect and to transmit to the  
Spanish minister in Washington the demand  
which it became the duty of the executive  
to address to the government of Spain in  
obedience to said resolution, and the said minister asked for his pass-  
ports and withdrew. The United States  
minister at Madrid was in turn notified  
by the Spanish minister for foreign affairs  
that the withdrawal of the Spanish  
representative from the United States had  
terminated diplomatic relations be-  
tween the two countries and that all of  
the communications between the countries  
ceased therewith.

Therefore I recommend to your special  
attention the note directed to the  
United States Minister Madrid by the  
Spanish minister for foreign affairs on  
the 21st instant, whereby the foreign  
notification was conveyed. It will be per-  
ceived that the Spanish government  
having cognizance of the joint resolution  
of the congress of the United States and  
in view of things which the President is  
required and authorized to do, responds  
by treating the representative demands  
of this government as measures of hosti-  
lity, following with that instant and  
complete severance of relations by its  
action, whereby the usage of nations accom-  
panied an existent state of war between  
sovereign powers.

The position of Spain being thus made  
known and the demands of the United  
States being denied, with a complete  
rupture in the intercourse with Spain, I  
have been constrained, in the exercise  
of power and authority, conferred upon  
me by the joint resolution aforesaid, to  
proclaim, under date of April 22, 1898, a  
blockade of certain ports on the north  
coast of Cuba, lying between Cardenas and  
Balisas Huna, and of the port of  
Cienfuegos on the south coast of Cuba;  
and further, in the exercise of my con-  
stituted powers, and using the authori-  
ty conferred upon me by the act of congress  
of April 20, 1898, calling or  
volunteers in order to carry into effect  
the said resolution of April 20, 1898,  
Copies of these proclamations are here-  
upon appended.

In view of the measures so taken, and  
with a view to the adoption of such  
other measures as may be necessary to  
enable me to carry out the expressed  
will of the congress of the United States  
in the premises, I now recommend to  
your honorable body the adoption of a  
joint resolution declaring that a state of  
war exists between the United States of  
America and the Kingdom of Spain and  
I issue the special proclamation thereto  
that the definition of the international  
status of the United States as a belliger-  
ent power may be known and the main-  
tenance of all its rights and the main-  
tenance of all its duties in the conduct of a  
public war may be assured.

(Signed) WILLIAM MCKINLEY,  
Executive Mansion, Washington, April  
25, 1898.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have  
hereunto set my hand and caused  
to be affixed the seal of the  
United States.

WILLIAM MCKINLEY,  
President of the United States.

WITNESS: J. G. HARRIS,  
Secretary of State.



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Old Maximo Gomez isn't a slouch himself at inditing proclamations.

General Weyler appears to have decided not to return to Cuba after all. Life is sweeter in old Castle.

Don Carlos and Valeriano Weyler are playing the comedy roles in the drama entitled the "Hispano-American War."

Readers of the REPUBLICAN get the war news earlier and more accurately than they can get it in the big city papers.

The drought and frost and vine borers got in their deadly work, but the candidate crop promises to be the largest on record.

Fresno has in the Apollo club one of the very best amateur musical organizations in the state. This town is justly proud of its Apollo.

There is no sentiment involved in painting battle ships gray in time of war. Dark gray does not reflect the light, and that is the sole reason for its use.

It is reported that Greeks are presenting themselves at the United States consulate at Athens for enlistment. They might be hired to do the running.

The formal declaration of war yesterday was a good deal in the nature of the historical marriage license that was fixed to meet contingencies by the Arkansas judge.

The American fleet in Cuban waters has already captured eight Spanish merchant vessels valued, with their cargoes, at more than \$1,000,000. This is a pretty good beginning.

The commander of the Spanish fleet is a very genius in the matter of keeping his ships out of range of grape-guns. Even our 13-inch rifles won't carry to Cape Verde Islands. However, the Spanish fleet would be safer still at Cadiz.

Some of the business men of Bakersfield have offered to double their donations to the Valley road celebration fund in the event that the celebration is given up and the fund used for the benefit of the families that will be left by the national guardmen who respond to their country's call. That is an evidence of genuine patriotism that merits commendation.

The Examiner's regular dramatic critic, Professor Da Post Syle, took a night off Thursday and the theaters were done by the water front editor, judging from the following comment on Svengali (the play was "truly"): "As for his unwashed wickedness, Svengali—well, the girlie wouldn't do a thing to him if it caught him in an alley of a dark night. Oh, dear no!"

It appears now that Senator White did not utter the sentiments recently attributed to him in a dispatch from Washington. He says the author of the interview was one Phoenix Howard, who was discharged from the New York Herald some months ago for unreliable work. We are glad to publish the Senator's full statement, but wish he had accompanied it with his true opinion of the work.

The REPUBLICAN hopes that Colonel Jones and the committee of ten will reach a satisfactory understanding at their meeting today, and that everything will soon be in readiness to push the Monterey, Fresno and Minaret road to a successful conclusion. It is an enterprise fraught with great possibilities, the greatest of which is the opening up of the magnificent mineral deposits in the high Sierras.

If this hot weather continues an unfortunate result will be that there will be an abundance of water in the rivers for a few weeks and that the short supply of snow will be exhausted considerably sooner than it would if a more moderate temperature prevailed. In the meantime it will be the part of wisdom for irrigators in all parts of the country to use every available foot of water on their orchards and fields and to plant their feed and forage crops at the earliest possible date.

Thus experienced the Fresno men who started for the northwestern gold fields under the leadership of our Gridir, and were left footloose and stranded in the frozen wilds after following a cold-blooded swindler to the end of his base game, ought to be a sufficient warning to the people who are inclined to accept the services of unknown promoters of schemes of this kind. There is enough of danger and hardship involved in a trip to the far north under the most favorable circumstances; to attempt it upon the statements and under the direction of outside adventurers is simply suicidal. The Fresno men who were lured into this unfortunate expedition are good citizens who have many friends to regret their misfortune.

PRINCE ALBERT, heir presumptive to the Belgian throne, arrived in San Francisco on Sunday and lost no time in giving the pell-mell reporters who tried to interview him the glazy eye, for in one of yesterday's San Francisco papers we read that "his manner possesses an Arctic coquettishness." Maybe Albert realizes that he is in a jay town.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

A Nameless Portrait No Longer Nameless—Turned the Laugh on Himself. Louisiana's Centennial.

(Special Correspondence.)

Sergeant-at-arms Russell of the house has succeeded in identifying an unknown portrait of a former speaker. The Post stated some weeks ago that there was an unknown portrait in the gallery of the rear lobby, hanging near the portrait of Speaker Reed, the name having long been lost. Mr. Russell has ascertained, after considerable research, that the speaker portrayed there is Hon. John W. Taylor of New York. Mr. Taylor succeeded Henry Clay as speaker in the last half of the Sixteenth congress and was again elected speaker of the Nineteenth congress.

Our Democratic contemporary, the Watchman, facetiously refers to Dick Croker, the Boss Buckley of Tammany Hall, as "Mr." Croker. And all because William J. Bryan made friends with the Boss at the Jefferson banquet and afterwards paid him a friendly call at his apartment.

Of course, there is nothing new in politicians of the more or less ordinary kind bending the pregnant hanger of the knee to criminals like Croker, but surely it cannot be that this fearless political Louie who came out of the West and ran away with the Democratic party at Chicago would condescend to such friendships for the vulgar lust of power and prestige in the political arena? Perish the thought! Mr. Bryan is a reformer and favors the union of all the forces of reform to wipe out the allied foes of the people, and is hobnobbing with Croker for no other purpose than to familiarize himself with the ways of the devil and his satellites and agents. It is on the same principle that he rides on railroad passes while his sword is forever unsheathed against the aggressions of these soulless monopolies. In the latter case he is merely exemplifying the military wisdom that finds expression in "forging upon the enemy." The willingness of the enemy to be forged upon may be somewhat embarrassing, but that may be a deep laid plot on their part to make it appear that they are friendly to their sworn enemy.

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Additional proof of this is shown by the portrait of Philip B. Barbour of Virginia, speaker of the Seventeenth congress, which represents him in high, dark coat, stock and white vest. With Cues and Frilled Shirt.

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Take S. R. Liver Pills for chronic constipation; purely vegetable, always mild and effective. Price 25c for 50 doses at Smith Bros.' Drug Store.

## THE FRESNO MORNING REPUBLICAN

United States Department of Agriculture—  
Weather Bureau.

Fresno, April 25.—Observations taken at 4 o'clock in the afternoon:

Barometer	29.88
Temperature, dry bulb	69
Temperature, wet bulb	63
Humidity	61
Wind, N.W. 10 miles per hour	6
Maximum Temperature for past 24 hours	101
Minimum Temperature for past 24 hours	64
Total rainfall past 24 hours, inches	0.70
Total rainfall for season, inches	4.70

Weather Forecast.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—Official forecast for Saturday night, ending at 12 M. S. A. 25°—Westerly winds, moderate, cooler in the interior; northwesterly winds.

Southern California—Fair Tuesday; cooler; westerly winds.

The REPUBLICAN may be had in San Francisco at Cooper's book store, 746 Market street.

The Eastern office of this paper is at 230 Temple Court Building, New York City, E. Katz Advertising Agency in charge, where files may be seen and advertising contracts made.

### LOCAL BREVITIES.

Stratoga  
Chips and ripe  
Olives at Hollands.

Fresh fish today at City Market,  
Osborn rakes and mowers. Dorsey & Parker.

J. P. Vincent yesterday appointed C. W. Tucker a deputy assessor.

Men's high grade bicycle shoes, \$2 a pair at the Philadelphia Shoe Store.

REPUBLICAN business office, telephone main 97. Editorial rooms, main 101.

Grant Shores, a peace disturber, was fined \$10 by Recorder Clark yesterday.

Coast redwood grape stakes, five and six foot, \$20 per M. at Valley Lumber Co. Co.

John Kelly, a vagrant, was given a thirty-day boaster by Recorder Clark yesterday.

"Imperial Fresno" on sale at Oearley's, Blage's, South & Fenton's and the REPUBLICAN office.

Just the thing to send to your friends in the East—"Imperial Fresno" in leatherette, 75 cents.

Hay is going to be high all this year. Use best quality of gypsum, for sale by Valley Lumber Co., and you will have hay to sell.

Lost—Small yellow dog, with collar and license number 41; answers to name Val. Return to 1953 K street and receive reward.

Sophia A. Almgren has applied for letters of administration on the estate of Andrew P. Almgren. The estate is valued at \$2000.

Justice E. H. Tucker was in Fresno yesterday. He reports that the irrigation ditches are full and everyone is busy watering his land.

O. L. Evers announces in this issue his candidacy for the office of District Attorney, subject to the action of the Democratic convention.

The Fresno Volunteer Fire Department held its monthly meeting last evening in the city hall. Only routine business was transacted.

Have your home photographs made while the roses and flowers are in bloom. Alexander makes a specialty of outdoor work. 1822 Mariposa street.

W. H. Payson of West Park announces in today's REPUBLICAN his candidacy for Supervisor of the First district, subject to the action of the Populist party.

"Imperial Fresno," showing the resources, industries and scenery of Fresno county, may be had at the REPUBLICAN office, 1542 Tulare street, Leatherhead 76, cloth \$1.50.

A coast paper says that J. L. Chance has the contract to supply 100 Japanese laborers to work in the Watsonville beet fields. He is taking the traps from Fresno to Watsonville by wagon.

Eastern Magruder of the Nashville, U. S. A., is a cousin of H. C. Tupper of this city. He was placed in command of the prize crew which boarded the Buena Vista after her capture by the Vaquero.

The fire department was called out last evening about 7 o'clock by an alarm. It was discovered that the Wemar bakery was burning out and that had caused some excitable persons to call out the firemen.

Deputy Sheriff Timmins was in Merced yesterday as a witness in the case against J. B. Olofson, the partner of Cliff Began, who was arrested at the county hospital here a few months ago on a charge of burglary.

The fire in Madera Saturday night destroyed the public school. The loss was caused by ignorance, the building being insured for \$1000 and the furniture for \$2000. The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin.

G. W. Wade, a Fresno mining man, is in New Whatcom, Washington, outfitting for a prospecting trip into the Mount Baker mining district. He is in partnership with H. L. Davis of Cleveland, Ohio, and a number of Eastern miners are back of the scheme.

A small barn on the Moutier property, corner of Mono and F streets, caught fire on Sunday night and burned to the ground. An alarm was turned in and the fire department responded. The blaze resulted from carelessness leaving a fire burning near the building.

Break in the Ditch.

There was a break in the ditch of the Fresno canal near the headgate above Cutlerville yesterday and the water was turned off for three hours in order to repair the damage. This caused the water in the ditch to fall several inches during the afternoon. A big head of water is coming down Kings river, affording an abundance of water for all the irrigation districts at present.

Elegant Picture Frames  
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## APOLLO'S CHARM

Their Concert at the Barton.

The Club Delights a Large Audience.

Pietro Mariano Makes the Violin "Talk"—A Promising Musician.

I think there has not been another such audience in the Barton opera house as the one that listened to the concert given by the Apollo Club last night since the Bostonians were last here. It seemed that all of Fresno's best people were there. I am certain that a great majority of her music loving people were there.

I think the Apollo Club and its director have good reasons to be proud of the success they met with last night. It was, in my estimation, a success in every sense of the word. There was not a break in any part of the program, and it a little nervous at the beginning that was soon dispelled after the hearty reception accorded the singer. They warmed up to their work immediately and sang better as the program advanced.

There were one or two places where the tenor voices should have been brought out with more force, but I understand that some of the members have been laboring under severe colds and were not at their very best. But the fault was almost too slight to be noticeable.

Pietro Panella opened the program with Chopin's polonaise in A, which he rendered in very acceptable style, although it lacked the expression that Chopin's work should have. Then came Kucken's "The Young Musicians." The Apollo Club gave an excellent rendition of this number, and, after it was finished, the audience felt pretty safe about the other numbers, knowing that they would be charmingly sung.

There was great surprise in store for the audience when Pietro Marino appeared and executed Vieuxtemp's fifth concerto.

Marino, young as he is, is a master on the violin, and is little short of a genius and plays with all the fire of a true artist. His tones are marvelously sweet and his bowing and shading was remarkably well done. The audience was electrified by his playing, which was attested by the storm of applause when he had finished his first number.

Although he had several numbers on the program the audience would not be satisfied with these merely, but demanded an encore after every number. Wieniawski's "Legend" was most beautiful in the manner he rendered it and I think was the best of his selection. But they were all so fine that it is difficult to make a choice among them. "St. Patrick's Day," in variations, by Vieuxtemp brought a smile to nearly everybody's face, it was such a pretty little concerto and so cleverly handled. Wieniawski's second polonaise, "A Vintage Song," by Mendelssohn, and the "Lullaby," by Brahms, were all charming and the audience was not slow in showing its appreciation to this coming violin virtuoso.

Mrs. E. A. Geisler was in very good voice and sang Vacea's tomb scene and aria from "Romeo and Juliet" in a very pleasing manner, although it seemed to me that she undertook every difficult task in this selection. I did not like it nearly as well as the "Gondoliers" (Meyerbeer) which she sang later on with great deal of feeling and expression.

This selection, which was charmingly rendered, was better suited to her voice and was one of the most pleasing numbers on the program.

For pretty and delicate shading and all round excellent chorus work the waltz song by Vogel was the prettiest thing the Apollo Club rendered. It showed that they had been well drilled and they sang in splendid harmony and with excellent precision. "The Toreador" was well sung, but it was in the chorus of this song that it seemed to me the tenor parts should have been sustained with a little more force.

Of course the club received a warm reception and after each number the audience insisted on an encore, which was given. Something light and amusing such as "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," "Smith's Danduff Pound," not the audience in a good humor and then the "Star Spangled Banner" was sung which aroused enthusiasm.

The Apollo Club and their leader, Mr. W. R. Price, richly deserve the success they achieved last night and no doubt are gratified with the result. Certainly all who heard them were more than pleased.

STREET PENN.

COMPLIMENTS FRESNO.

A Letter from a Tourist who Was Hospitably Received.

Dr. E. Warner of Worcester, Massachusetts, who stopped in Fresno with a party of Yosemite tourists a few days ago and was entertained by Fulton G. Berry, expresses his appreciation of the courtesies extended in the following letter, received last evening:

"Dear Mr. Berry—Our stop at Fresno was a bright point on our way to the Yosemite. It has been much talked about since, and will be, and I find the matter in "Imperial Fresno" interesting and of great value.

"I have written Mr. Baxter, passenger of the Southern Pacific in Los Angeles, about it, and I wish to express to you again the obligations I feel for your kind attentions to the trio on the morning of the 11th."

Colonel Jones Will be Here Today.

T. O. White of the committee of ten for the Monterey and Fresno railroad yesterday received a telegram from Col. Jones announcing that he would be up on the late train last night and would be present at a meeting of the committee today. President John Reichman of the committee was handed the telegram and he called a meeting of the committee for this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

Wanted a Recommendation.

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